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The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism ("DBEDT"), by and through its Director ("Director") in his capacity as the Energy Resources Coordinator ("ERC"), through the undersigned Deputy Attorney General, hereby submits to the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission ("Commission" or "PUC") its identification of expert witness for the panel hearing to be held the week of April 13, 2009, and proposes an additional decision item to be added to the Commission's Exhibit "A", entitled "Panel Topics, Commission Decisions and General Hearing Questions" in the instant docket. Both the naming of the expert witness and the submission of the additional decision item are made pursuant to page 5 of the Commission's Order.

Expert Witness

For all eight panels, Estrella Seese, Manager, Energy Planning & Policy Branch, Hawaii State Energy Office, Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, shall serve as the principal assigned expert witness for DBEDT.

Suggested Additional Discussion Topic

Under Topic II ("What are the physical limitations on the utility's ability to purchase renewables?") of the Commission's Exhibit "A" to its Order, DBEDT suggests an additional question be added as a new section E, to wit:

E. What system upgrades and enhancements will be necessary for the utilities to be able to purchase the amount of energy committed to by them in the Energy Agreement under feed-in tariff contracts? How do the HECO Companies plan to implement these system upgrades, and by when?

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I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism's Identification of Expert Witness for Panel Hearing and Supplemental Decision Item to be Added to Exhibit "A" Of Commission's Order Establishing Hearing Procedures in PUC Docket Number 2008-0273, by electronic transmission on the date of signature to each of the parties listed below.

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